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Mr. Gene Mancebo, General Manager
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Dear Mr. Mancebo:

The Department of Water Resources (DWR) has reviewed the Amador Water Works Agency (Agency) 2010 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP). The California Water Code directs DWR to report to the legislature once every five years on the status of submitted plans. In meeting this legislative reporting requirement, DWR reviews all submitted plans to ensure that they have addressed the required elements of the California Water Code.

DWR's review of the Agency 2010 plan has determined the following required elements have not been addressed in accordance with the Water Code:

- The Agency did not report their gross water use correctly. Total water production into the system is most accurately measured at the point the water enters the distribution system, which would account for total water use, including non-revenue and unmetered water. This undercounting of gross water may lead to a miscalculation of annual Gallons per Capita per Day (GPCD) and Target GPCDs. A detailed explanation of gross water use calculations, including allowable exclusions, can be found in Methodologies for Calculating Baseline and Compliance Urban Per Capita Water Use, DWR 2010. CWC Section 10608.20 (h)(1)(A).

To meet the requirements of the Water Code and to be eligible for State water grants and loans, the Agency should consider revising its 2010 UWMP to address the UWMP elements listed above. Revised plans must be adopted by the agency's governing board following the public process specified in the UWMP Act. DWR encourages water suppliers to send drafts of the revised sections to DWR for review before adopting the revised plan.

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After adoption, copies of the revised plan should be sent to DWR, the State Library, and local cities and counties. On receiving the revised plan, DWR will review the revised sections for compliance with the UWMP Act.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Peter Brostrom', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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